

Proposition 7 -- Opposition Ballot Arguments FINAL

Wind, solar and other renewable power providers; environmental, consumer and taxpayer groups; business and labor; and global warming scientists all OPPOSE Proposition 7.

Prop. 7 -- paid for by an Arizona billionaire with no energy expertise -- is a deeply flawed measure that will:

- NOT achieve its stated goals and will actually disrupt renewable power development.
- Shut small renewable energy companies out of California's market.
- Unnecessarily increase electric bills and taxpayer costs by hundreds of millions of dollars, without achieving its stated goals.
- Create market conditions that could lead to another energy crisis.

PROP. 7 FORCES SMALL WIND AND SOLAR ENERGY COMPANIES OUT OF THE MARKET.

Prop. 7 contains a competition elimination provision shutting smaller renewable energy companies out of California's market. Renewable power from plants under 30 megawatts won't count toward meeting the law. Today, nearly 60 percent of contracts under California's renewable requirements are with these small providers.

"Proposition 7 would devastate California's small solar businesses by forcing us out of the market – eliminating a major source of clean power and thousands of jobs."

-Sue Kateley, Executive Director, California Solar Energy Industries Association

PROP. 7 ALLOWS ENERGY PRICES TO BE CONTINUALY LOCKED IN AT 10% ABOVE MARKET RATES AND LIMITS COMPETITION.

Proposition 7 allows power providers to always charge 10% above the market price of power, stifling competition for renewable power.

And nothing in Prop. 7 limits increases in our electric bills.

ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION 7

PROP. 7 DISRUPTS THE RENEWABLES MARKET AND COSTS CONSUMERS AND TAXPAYERS HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

"Prop. 7 has many troubling provisions that will significantly increase costs for electricity consumers and harm the California economy."
-Philip Romero, PhD, Former Chief Economist, California Office of Planning and Research

"Prop. 7's flawed provisions will disrupt renewable power development, unnecessarily drive up costs, and stall efforts to substitute clean power for more expensive energy sources."

- Sheryl Carter, Energy Program Co-Director, Natural Resources Defense Council

"Proposition 7 would lead to more bureaucracy and red tape and cost taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars."

-Teresa Casazza, President, California Taxpayers' Association

WE'RE STILL PAYING FOR THE LAST ENERGY CRISIS.

Prop. 7 will create market conditions ripe for manipulation, much like ENRON took advantage of consumers during the energy crisis.

"California consumers are still paying almost \$1 billion each year – nearly \$100 for every electricity customer – for the last energy crisis. We don't need a poorly-written measure that will lead to another energy crisis and higher electric bills."

-Betty Jo Toccoli, President, California Small Business Association

OPPOSED BY LEADING ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND RENEWABLE POWER PROVIDERS.

California leads the nation with clean energy standards requiring utilities to significantly increase renewable power, and we're expanding those efforts. Prop. 7 jeopardizes this progress.

Organizations leading the fight against global warming all OPPOSE Prop. 7:

- California League of Conservation Voters
- California Solar Energy Industries Association
- Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies
- Environmental Defense Fund
- Natural Resources Defense Council
- Union of Concerned Scientists

SUBJECT TO COURT ORDERED CHANGES

Vote NO on Prop. 7. www.NoProp7.com

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